

# notes

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## City adds three Points of Pride



*Cascading waters create a sense of serenity at the Japanese Friendship Garden, one of the city's newest Points of Pride.*

The city's list of Points of Pride has been increased to 30 with the selection of three new sites.

The Ben Avery Shooting Facility, Japanese Friendship Garden and Thomas J. Pappas Elementary School were the top vote getters in balloting that drew more than 22,000 votes.

The winning sites, which will be added to the 27 existing Points of Pride, will receive signs designating their selection to the list.

The Ben Avery Shooting Facility, 4044 W. Black Canyon Blvd., is a family-based and customer-friendly shooting sports recreational facility operated by the Arizona Game and Fish Department. It covers 1,650 acres and is believed to be the largest publicly operated shooting facility in the country.

The Japanese Friendship Garden features more than 1,500 tons of handpicked rocks, a 12-foot waterfall, Koi pond and flowing streams, bringing the essence of Japan to Phoenix and celebrating Phoenix's sister city relationship with Himeji and the spirit of understanding between the East and West. It sits on three acres of land in Margaret T. Hance Park, east of Third Avenue.

The Thomas J. Pappas School, 355 N. Fifth Ave., was founded in 1989 to provide homeless students with a comprehensive educational experience and to help meet their social and physical needs. The school's namesake, Thomas J. Pappas, was a successful Phoenix businessman and tireless worker for homeless causes. He died in 1989.

To check out a complete list of the city's Point of Pride locations, visit [phoenix.gov/ARTS/pridepts.html](http://phoenix.gov/ARTS/pridepts.html).

## City pools now open daily

The city's 29 public pools, which were open only on weekends in May, have added weekdays to their schedule this month.

All of the pools will be open daily noon to 8 p.m. from June 7 through Aug. 12.

Admission is 50 cents for youth under 18 and seniors, and \$1.50 for adults.

For more information, call 602-534-SWIM (7946) or visit [phoenix.gov/SPORTS/pools.html](http://phoenix.gov/SPORTS/pools.html).



## Celebrate the 4th

The Fabulous Phoenix 4th celebration returns to Phoenix Steele Indian School Park, Third Street and Indian School Road, this year. The free event, 4 p.m. to 10 p.m. July 4, will include live entertainment, food booths, water play for kids and a 9:30 p.m fireworks show.



**New buses on the road** – The Phoenix Public Transit Department has replaced its 20-year-old fleet of articulated buses with new ones. Although they look similar on the outside and still bend in the middle, the new models offer low floors for easier boarding, three doors for faster exiting, three wheelchair positions and two air-conditioning units. They also use ultra-low sulfur diesel fuel. In comparison, the old buses had high floors, two doors, two wheelchair positions and one air-conditioning unit, and they burned diesel fuel.

## BOPA events resume in September

There will be no BOPA collection events in July or August. The monthly schedule for the household hazardous waste collections will resume in September with an event set for 7 a.m. to noon Sept. 16 - 18 at Hayden Park, 420 W. Tamarisk Ave. For information, call 602-262-7251, send e-mail to [pwserve@phoenix.gov](mailto:pwserve@phoenix.gov) or visit [phoenix.gov/PUBLICWORKS](http://phoenix.gov/PUBLICWORKS).



## You can help homeless keep cool

With summer temperatures just around the corner, many homeless people who live on the streets in the city are going to need some help.



The city is seeking donations of unopened water bottles, sunscreen, new underwear, white socks and white T-shirts for distribution to the homeless.

The program runs through Aug. 31.

Your tax-deductible donations may be delivered to any of the city's Family Services Centers: Travis L. Williams, 4732 S. Central Ave.; John F. Long, 3454 N. 51st Ave.; Central Phoenix, 1250 S. Seventh Ave.; Sky Harbor, 1818 S. 16th St.; and Sunnyslope, 914 W. Hatcher Road.

The centers are open weekdays 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The donated items will be distributed by teams from Tumbleweed Center for Youth Development, HomeBase Youth Services, The Salvation Army Project HOPE, Health Care for the Homeless, Terros and Southwest Behavioral Health Service PATH Outreach.

## City honors neighborhood award winners

A business that helps fight graffiti and an organization that provides special programs for young people were among the winners of awards given as part of this year's celebration of National Community Development Week.

They and others were recognized by the city for their exemplary use of Community Development Block Grant programs to help neighbors and improve neighborhoods in the city.

The winners were:

Sherry Vallejos of Portland Homes for investing her time, resources and housing construction company to help revitalize the Palomino Neighborhood in north Phoenix; Pioneer Ford for cleaning more than 87,000 graffiti sites and generating scores of volunteers to remove graffiti at thousands of other locations in the past nine years; and Pilgrim Rest Foundation for building a multimillion dollar facility on blighted property in the Eastlake Neighborhood east of the downtown area.

Also: Boys and Girls Clubs of Metropolitan Phoenix for providing quality educational and development programs for young people at its neighborhood facilities; the Lindon Park Neighborhood Association near Sky Harbor International Airport for organizing and motivating its residents to implement revitalization projects in their area; and Jeff Sherman of the Sherman Group architectural firm for furthering the revitalization of the Sunnyslope area in north central Phoenix.

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## Push begins for more affordable housing

Who needs an affordable home?

People you meet every day – bus drivers, daycare providers, recent college graduates, grocery store clerks, delivery drivers, security guards, school teachers and many others – all need affordable places in which to live.

By definition, affordable housing means that a household pays no more than 30 percent of its annual gross income for housing costs.

A family of three living on an annual median income of \$31,500 can afford to pay no more than \$788 a month (including utilities) for a two-bedroom house. That's substantially below the estimated \$1,067 monthly payment required for a typical Valley home in today's market.

To help emphasize the need for affordable housing, the city has initiated a yearlong

public awareness campaign featuring posters and billboards that highlight the slogan, "Meet someone who needs an affordable home." Look for them around the city.

You can help, too, by supporting neighborhood revitalization efforts that include affordable housing options and legislation and bond measures that favor affordable housing programs.

The campaign is a partnership between the Housing and Neighborhood Services departments, Phoenix Commission on Housing and Neighborhoods, Fannie Mae, Bank One, Bank of America, Wells Fargo, Harris Bank,

Phoenix Industrial Development Authority and Local Initiatives Support Corporation.

For more information, visit [phoenix.gov/AFFORDABLE](http://phoenix.gov/AFFORDABLE) or call 602-534-2142.



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## Police looking for recruits

The Police Department is in the market for more men and women police officers.

Testing of applicants is conducted monthly and about 20 recruits are selected to begin the academy every month.

Bi-lingual applicants and women are highly encouraged to apply. Bonus translation pay is available to those who qualify and extensive training is offered to officers who are interested in mastering Spanish as a second language.

Police officers earn \$38,000 to \$56,000 annually and receive a full compliment of benefits, including medical and dental insurance and college tuition reimbursement.

For a list of minimum requirements and testing dates, times and locations, visit the Police Department Web site at [phoenix.gov/police](http://phoenix.gov/police) or call a recruiter at 602-262-6925.



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## Nominations open for Ability Counts Awards

If you know outstanding students with disabilities or community members who have contributed significantly to the advancement of people with disabilities, you may nominate them for the Ability Counts Student and Community Awards.

The student awards recognize five young people who have overcome barriers to accomplish their personal and academic goals, while the community awards honor those who have made life better for people with disabilities.

Nominations must be received by 5 p.m. June 30.

To obtain a nomination form, call EOD at 602-262-7486/voice or 602-534-1557/TTY or visit [phoenix.gov/CITZASST/acprogra.html](http://phoenix.gov/CITZASST/acprogra.html).

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# Quarterly bulk trash pickup schedule – summer 2004

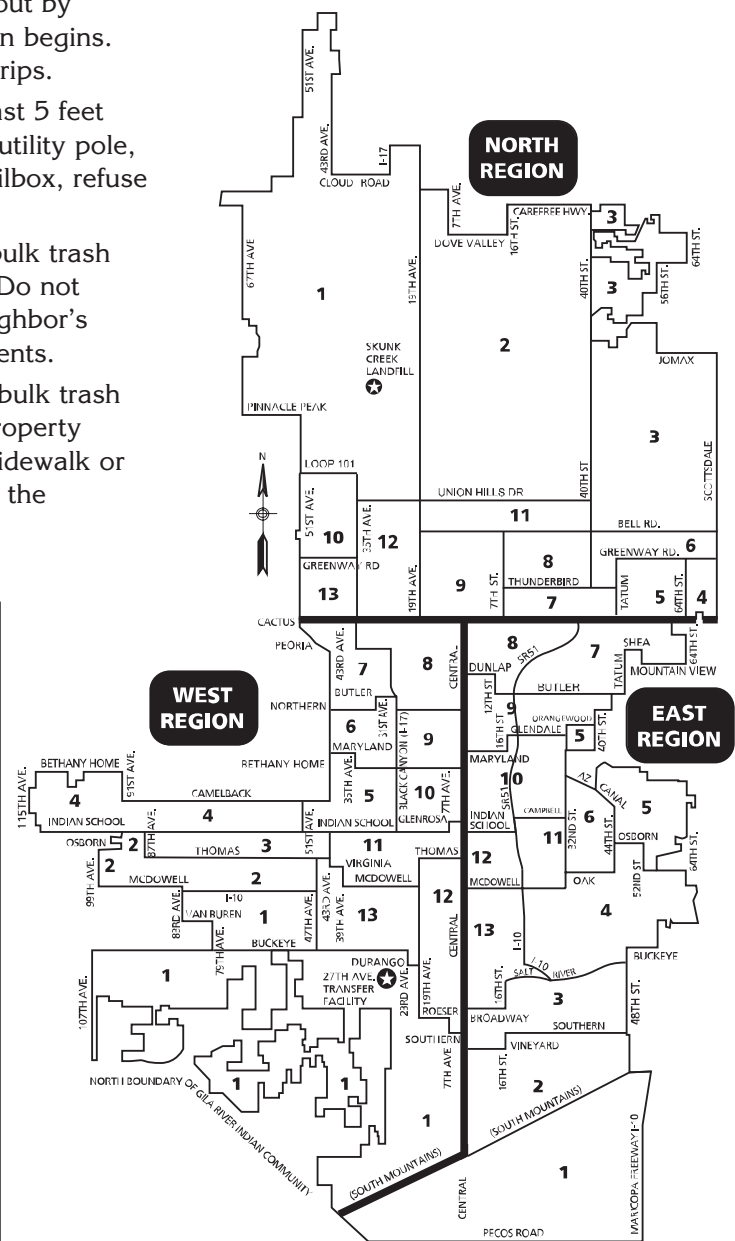
City crews collect bulk trash four times a year. Some items are not acceptable for bulk trash collection. Please visit the city’s Web site or call customer service (see Web address and telephone number at the end of this article) for more information. To take advantage of this residential collection:

- ✓ Locate your area number on the map.
- ✓ Find the area number on the schedule.
- ✓ The first date listed is the date you may begin placing bulk trash out for collection.
- ✓ The second date listed is the date city crews will begin collection.
- ✓ Bulk trash must be placed out by 6 a.m. on the date collection begins. Crews do not make return trips.
- ✓ Trash must be placed at least 5 feet from any object, such as a utility pole, cable box, water meter, mailbox, refuse container, etc.
- ✓ For alley collection, place bulk trash behind your property only. Do not place trash behind your neighbor’s property or in utility easements.
- ✓ For street collection, place bulk trash on the front edge of your property behind and parallel to the sidewalk or curb. Do not place trash on the sidewalk or in the street.

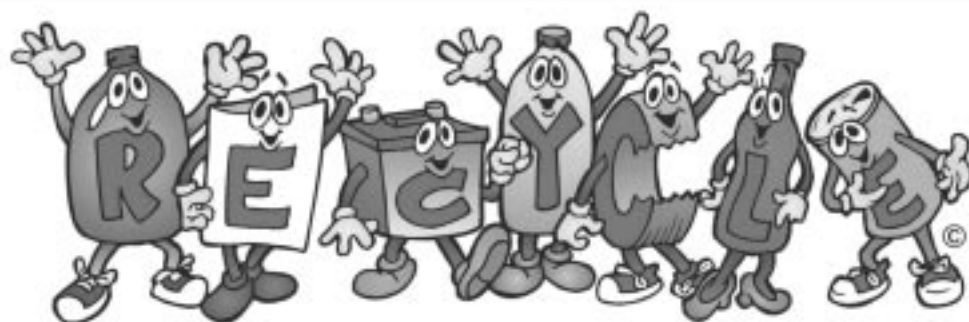
AREA	PLACEMENT	COLLECTION BEGINS
4	June 26	July 5
5	July 3	July 12
6	July 10	July 19
7	July 17	July 26
8	July 24	Aug. 2
9	July 31	Aug. 9
10	Aug. 7	Aug. 16
11	Aug. 14	Aug. 23
12	Aug. 21	Aug. 30
13	Aug. 28	Sept. 6
1	Sept. 4	Sept. 13
2	Sept. 11	Sept. 20
3	Sept. 18	Sept. 27

✓ City ordinance allows one week prior to the scheduled collection week to place bulk trash out for collection. It is a violation to place bulk trash out before the “placement begins” date listed. Failure to comply may result in enforcement action.

For more information, call Customer Service at 602-262-7251 or send e-mail to [pwserve@phoenix.gov](mailto:pwserve@phoenix.gov). The collection schedule appears quarterly in Notes and also can be found at [phoenix.gov/GARBAGE](http://phoenix.gov/GARBAGE).







*We're the Recycle Team. Let's work together to protect and beautify our environment.*

## RECYCLE RIGHT! RECYCLE SMART!

**Do you know what paper products are recyclable?  
Include these in your blue recycling barrel**



### PAPER –

Such as computer, construction and writing paper; file folders; grocery bags

- No facial or toilet tissue, paper towels, napkins, diapers, pet food bags or thermal fax paper



### MAGAZINES –

Telephone books, catalogs and staples OK

- No paperback or hardbound books



### NEWSPAPER –

Include all inserts

- Remove plastic bags and rubber bands



### MILK CARTONS –

Includes juice and creamer cartons and juice boxes



### JUNK MAIL –

Window envelopes OK

- No self-sealing envelopes



### CARDBOARD/CHIPBOARD –

Packing, facial tissue, or personal hygiene boxes, dry food boxes such as cereal, cake mix and cracker containers *[remove liners]*, shoe and gift boxes, towel and tissue rolls

**ALSO ACCEPTABLE:** Metal containers, plastics with codes and glass bottles and jars



**No detergent  
or bar soap  
boxes!**

**No soda  
carriers!**



**No beer  
carriers!**

**No plastic  
bags!**



For information on recycling in Phoenix, call  
**602-262-7251**  
[www.phoenix.gov/GARBAGE](http://www.phoenix.gov/GARBAGE)  
TTY 602-253-8796



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For information on recycling in other cities, call  
**Earth's 911 at 1-800-CLEAN UP**  
or visit Valleywide Recycling Partnership:  
[www.recyclevrp.com](http://www.recyclevrp.com)

Keep this sheet handy (in your garage, by your recycle containers, etc) as a helpful reminder.  
All items must be clean, dry & empty

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# Chaparral students take top art honors

Chaparral High School students took the top prizes in this year's International Young Artist Competition sponsored by the Phoenix Sister Cities Commission.

Stephanie Tomlin was the first place winner for her work titled "The African Problem." She received a \$300 savings account from Wells Fargo Bank and \$50 toward a class at the Scottsdale Artists' School.

Amanda Mueller won the \$200 second place prize for "Self Portrait" and Alexis Danneman won the \$100 third place award for "Across the Border."

Two entries submitted by youth from Phoenix's sister cities – Vojtech Humahl of Prague, Czech Republic and Chiu Ron Chen of Taipei, Taiwan – also were selected to receive \$100 cash prizes. Their works will be entered along with Tomlin's artwork in the Sister Cities International competition.

The entries of the three Phoenix winners will be displayed during the 2004 Sister Cities International Annual Conference in Fort Worth, Texas, and throughout member cities.

For more information, call 602-534-3751.

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# Volunteers sought for clothing program

If you're interested in helping out women in need who are entering the workforce, then consider volunteering at The Clothes Silo.

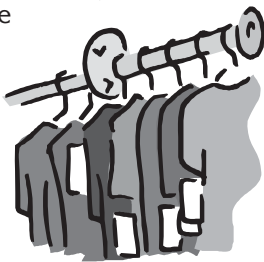
The Silo offers a "boutique" with free, professional clothing for women through partnerships with 63 agencies throughout the state, including the city.

Volunteers act as personal shoppers for clients, sort and hang clothes, accept donations, plan special events and assist shoppers.

The used clothing also is available for sale to the public to cover overhead costs.

The store in the Bethel United Methodist Church complex, Seventh Street and Osborn Road, is open 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays, and 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Thursdays.

For more information, call 602-264-2262.



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# Phoenix youth ambassadors chosen

Thirty-nine Phoenix high school students have been chosen to serve as youth ambassadors and travel to Phoenix's sister cities through a summer student exchange program.

The Youth Ambassador Exchange Program, sponsored by the Phoenix Sister Cities Commission, allows young people from around the world to learn about and experience each other's cultures.

The students, all high school juniors, are selected on the basis of their communication skills, maturity, flexibility, leadership and self-confidence.

The students will live with a host family in their designated sister cities for two weeks in June or early July, then reciprocate and house their host family's son or daughter when they arrive in Phoenix in mid-July.

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